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1. The Czech air search and rescue service, which is not highly developed, is incorporated into the "Flying Rescue and Security Police."\* Small units of this service are stationed at important airports such as the Prague-Ruzyně, Chob (Eger), Plzen, Karlovy Vary, Mariánské Lázně, Bratislava, and Košice airports. The service is responsible for policing the entire country by air.
  2. Usually single-engine Storchs or two-engine Siebels are used by this service. One or two of these planes are stationed at each airfield, except at Prague where there are more than two. ME-109's are used in border patrol work. The nose and tail on every plane are painted red.
  3. To report an incident, a plane sends a message to the nearest airport, which in turn contacts the military or police unit closest to the scene.
  4. Most of the airfields from which these planes operate are small, with grass runways. Only the Prague airfield has concrete runways. Direction-finding equipment is not used by this service.

25X1A Comment: Source is apparently referring to the SNB air force.

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